

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 760

By Herron

A RESOLUTION to recognize the sterling service rendered by
Homer Malone to the members and staff of the
Tennessee General Assembly.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those persons who in their years of work have performed with uncommon devotion, superlative service, and spirit-lifting enthusiasm; and

WHEREAS, one such person who is a cornerstone of the Tennessee General Assembly's workforce is Homer Reese Malone; and

WHEREAS, a true gentleman and friend to all, Mr. Malone is a humble man of strong faith and deeply held personal convictions, and the goodness of this gentleman is shown to all with whom he daily comes in contact; and

WHEREAS, a native of Sumner County, Mr. Malone began his state service career on August 1, 1976, and for a brief time he worked on the campus of Volunteer State Community College in Gallatin. Since 1977, he has worked on Capitol Hill in Nashville as a facilities management specialist, having first spent many years working the night shift in the Capitol complex of buildings; now his full-time assignment is Legislative Plaza and the War Memorial Building where he has consistently provided exceptional service ensuring safety, comfort, and convenience to all throughout the legislative work environment; and

WHEREAS, quiet and genteel in his demeanor, Mr. Malone's actions are the voice of his steadfast spirit speaking to all with whom he comes in contact. He is a spontaneous ambassador for the legislature as he daily works to make the physical setting of the legislative branch pleasant and inviting for all who would come into these hallowed halls; and

WHEREAS, a testament to the admiration and appreciation that the legislative body holds for this man, Mr. Malone was chosen by his peers as the Joint Legislative Employee of the Year in 2009, a coveted distinction that precious few can boast; and

WHEREAS, Homer Malone is a good man and a true Tennessee Volunteer. He receives much comfort and takes great pride within his place in the family of the Tennessee General Assembly and relishes the attention and support that his many, many friends so genuinely and abundantly bestow upon him; and

WHEREAS, an ardent fan of all types of sports, Mr. Malone is a tried and blue Titans fan who equally enjoys watching the games reclined on his sofa in the comfort of his own home as he does joining in the roar of the fans at LP Field on Sunday afternoons; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Malone enjoys the love and support of his children, Andrea Lynette, Sandra Lynn and spouse Richard, Terra LaVelle and spouse D'Wayne Burnley, and Joshua Vinroe Church. He is blessed with the love and adoration of seven grandchildren: D'Andre Quintez Branham, Sha'Juana DaVelle Scott, Ja'Juan LaVonte Brooks, D'Metri TraVon and Terykah TraVelle Burnley, and Joshua Vinroe Church, Jr., and Joshlynn Kathrine Church; and

WHEREAS, one of a group of ten siblings, Mr. Malone treasures the familial relationships he shares with his one sister and six brothers who are living, and he is especially close with his brother, Herbert, with whom he has worked along side at the Legislature for more than thirty years; and

WHEREAS, the very epitome of a faithful and genuine friend and of a competent and loyal public servant, Mr. Malone is deserving of the acknowledgement and heart-felt expression of gratitude and well wishes of the legislative department and all who work herein; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend Homer Malone for his honorable and astute service to the General Assembly; we thank him for his positive, uplifting attitude that he so generously

shares; and we salute his unswerving commitment to living the examined life with courage, conviction, and a smile and kind word for all.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.